

The Intelligencer.

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MOONVILLE has again two papers, the old *Gazette* (Dem.) having been succeeded by the new *Commercial* (Indep.) The *Commercial* is well gotten up and gives evidence of adaptation for the business on the part of its proprietors, Messrs. Evans & Crouch. We wish it success.

By the census of 1870 West Virginia had a population of 442,014, and among these were 81,400 persons, from ten years upward, who could not write, and 48,802 who could not read. Bad as was this showing for one of the total population of 1,225,163, who had 445,803 who could not write, and 300,913 who could not read. Of these numbers the whites who could not write were 123,538. The State of Ohio had a population of 2,065,290, out of which there were 173,172 (10 years old and upwards) who could not write, and 92,730 who could not read. This is a rather worse showing than we expected from Ohio. In the whole United States the number of persons in 1870, of 10 years of age and upward, who could not write was 5,598,144, and who could not read 4,528,084.

The Morgantown Post-publishes from a stray copy of the *Monitor* of May 6, 1863, a graphic account of the rebel invasion of that place on the 27th of April, 1863. It is an interesting scrap of history. Things were not looking very promising just at that time for the Union cause, either in West Virginia or elsewhere. The rebels were mobilizing their forces in Virginia for a movement northward, and it was not until after the battle of Gettysburg on the 2d and 3d days of July following, and the capture of Vicksburg on the 4th, that the cloud lifted. The rebel invasion of North-west Virginia will always be remembered hereabouts as the occasion Gen. Barry's visit to Wheeling and of much discussion in regard to the feasibility of fortifying the hills that command the approaches to that city. Pittsburgh was fortified about that time, and it was feared that the rebels would make the line of the Baltimore and Ohio road the basis of their operations. The Wheeling militia of that day will long remember the raid referred to. The survivors of the "Shenston war" are still numerous in our midst, and they still tell of their dark and cheerless and perilous tramp through the mud from Shenston to Fairmont, in much the same strain that Xenophon records the famous tramp of the ten thousand.

The New Discovery for Dephosphorizing. The discovery announced a few days ago, in England, of a new process whereby ironstone can be dephosphorized is considered almost if not altogether as important as the discovery of the Bessemer process. In the opinion of the Pittsburgh *Manufacture* the following consequences are among the probabilities likely to follow the discovery:

1. Steel may now be made cheaper in the Cleveland district, in England, than anywhere else in the world, possibly cheap enough to find some market in this country even with our present tariff.

2. Steel may, by the use of the cheaper ores, which have hitherto been rejected on account of their phosphorus, be made as cheap as puddled iron. This means a hastening of the puddling furnace to its final extinction.

3. In the United States it may no longer be necessary for the steel manufacturers to depend on Lake Superior and foreign ores. It may give the abundant ores of the Appalachian range, from Pennsylvania to Alabama, which have hitherto been as objectionable in quality as enormous in quantity, a value they have hitherto never possessed.

4. The new mines now opening on the New river, in this State, the ore from which can be delivered at Huntington for \$4 per ton and at Wheeling for 75 cents additional, will control the price of the Lake Superior and Missouri ores, and give Wheeling and Pittsburgh as many advantages as manufacturing centres as any other points in the country.

Inquiries Answered.
FLEMINGTON, W. Va., April 23.
Editors Intelligencer.

A subscriber to your weekly paper desires you to give in your columns the name, term of office and annual salary of each of the present rulers of the world's governments. Yours respectfully,
THOS. A. ALBAX.

Answer.—The subscriber will find most of those statistics he desires on page 20 of the *American Almanac* for 1878. It is too formidable a list for us to copy off, and, besides, it is not a matter of enough general interest. In regard to salaries, we may remark that most of the crowned heads have large revenues from certain estates, investments or bestowals, some of which are hereditary and some personal to themselves. Queen Victoria, for instance, is very rich outside of her allowances from parliament.

INQUIRY, NUMBER TWO.
Editors Intelligencer.

Will you please use your influence to have some of the four cent ten dollar bonds placed in this city, say in the post-office, for sale. There are quite a number of workmen who are able to save a dollar bill once in awhile, and who do not care to place it in bank, not knowing how soon an idle spell may require its use; but if we could invest in these bonds they would be making us something while accumulating, and could easily be changed into cash if needed. Respectfully,
WORKINGMAN.

Answer.—The Department circular of the Secretary of the Treasury, issued on the 19th, says that \$10 certificates can be obtained of United States officers bonded for that purpose. The language is as follows: "The ten dollar refunding certificates will be issued for lawful money in sums not to exceed one hundred dollars at one time by the Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer of the United States, and by public officers bonded for that purpose."

This being the case, no amount of influence could procure the sale of the certificates at the Wheeling Postoffice unless the Postmaster has given bonds to that end, which, we understand he has not. And very considerable bond is required, more than would be warranted perhaps by the sales.

Workingmen.
Before you begin your heavy spring work after a winter of relaxation, your system needs cleaning and strengthening to prevent an attack of Ague, Biliousness, Fever, or some other Spring sickness that will shut you for a season's work. You will save time, much sickness and great expense if you will use one bottle of Hop Bitters in your family this month. Don't wait. See other column.

Scepticism in the Modern Pulpit.

New York Herald.

One of the leading intellectual and moral characteristics of the times is doubtless the weakening of long cherished ideals of every kind and the reconsideration of the bases of the creeds, whether religious, political, literary or scientific. This is a phenomenon so visible and so manifest that it admits of no debate. Since it is not upon one question alone, but upon the basic problems of all our creeds that the spirit of investigation, discussion, reformation and reconstruction is actively at work, it is not only possible, but inevitable, that a great number of persons should be staunch conservatives in the majorities of their beliefs, but thoroughgoing sceptics or radicals upon some particular theme.

We use the word "scepticism" in no invidious or condemnatory sense. It is, when accurately employed, a good word, and expresses a habit of mind which no man need be reluctant to avow. As is known to all etymologists and students of history, the ancient school of philosophers called "Scepticism" employed that term not to denote negation or opposition to any particular body of doctrine, but to characterize their moral attitude towards all questions—an attitude of resolute observance or waiting for the proofs in the exact accordance of the apostolic mandate, "Prove all things; hold fast to that which is true."

In modern times the term, the synonym of a commendable intellectual modesty, has been perverted so that it has become in popular parlance the synonym of negation, and in that sense has been eagerly appropriated by the upholders of religious, political and scientific orthodoxy, in order to throw a slur upon their opponents. It was in this opprobrious sense that the term in question was employed by Dr. Philip Brooks in the notable article upon "The Pulpit and Popular Scepticism," which served us as a point of departure in these columns a few days ago. To Dr. Brooks' "popular scepticism" implies not a rigid scrutiny, nor even of doubt, but one of denial. "It rejects," said he, "not certain doctrine, but the whole body of the Christian faith."

Against this sweeping allegation we entered a protest, believing that it did signal injustice to many earnest and thoughtful men and women who participate in the characteristic intellectual movement of the times, but who are far from cherishing hostility to the Christian faith. Before making such charge it would have been well for the learned and candid article to define what he meant by the "Christian faith." There is scarcely a doctrine to be found in the creeds of any of the churches which has not at the same time been vigorously denied by other churches claiming the title of Christian. The attempts so often made to lay down a narrow canon of dogma the test of Christian belief is laughed to scorn by all who are familiar, even in a slight degree, with the immense mass of controversial theology which passes current as Christian literature. There are those who believe, and are prepared to quote chapter and verse in support of their belief, that all the churches, without any exception, have departed widely from the simple basis of primitive Christianity.

Whether the "Church of the future" is to be distinctively a Christian church depends entirely upon the significance to be given to the fundamental term. If the present representatives of the sects are to be allowed to claim a monopoly of Christianity for their characteristic views, and to exclude from the fold the millions who differ from them on the fundamental principles, then assuredly the Church of the future will not be a Christian one. By the same logical process every existing church is pronounced anti-Christian by millions of dissenters. They can say no more of the evolutionists or positivists. The fact is, that the doctrines of the evolutionists are not necessarily non-Christian, still less anti-Christian. There are scores of thousands in the communion of every so-called "orthodox" church who openly avow those doctrines to the fullest extent. If those evolutionists who are outside the churches too frequently renounce the Christian name it is less because of any repugnance to what they may regard as Christianity, than because the self-constituted exponents of that faith have assumed to excommunicate them, putting forward their exclusive definitions.

The grand reconciliation of science and faith which forms the burden of current religious literature is accordingly not effected without taking cognizance of the fact that the churches and the clergy themselves are largely participating in that intellectual movement to which we have adverted. The attitude of great degrees of the utmost importance within living memory, and the process is now going on apace. Of course such a revolution must affect a majority of the members of the several churches before it can make any change in the creeds. The process is now seen everywhere a multitude of pastors who have one creed in their study and another in the pulpit. They are peripatetic, bound by some ordination oath to teach from the pulpit the traditional creeds as laid down hundreds of years ago, but they do so with mental reservation. "That this is an unusual and unhealthy attitude is admitted, but it is often from the lips of just such pastors that we hear the most eloquent denunciations of 'orthodoxy' and 'tradition.' Let the churches and the clergy themselves declare itself, and it will have but little difficulty in effecting a cordial understanding with the millions of alleged non-Christians who only require a more Catholic platform to avow themselves Christians.

We cordially agree with our correspondent and with Mr. Brooks in believing that one of the urgent necessities of the times, for Christians and non-Christians alike, is that "the seer say what he thinks, think what he says and change his things by their right names." It is in this respect that we urge the pulpit to afford a much needed example of sturdy honesty in proclaiming just what are the conclusions at which the pastors have individually arrived, feeling certain that no reasonable contributions could be made to liberal thought.

Sabbath School Institute in Marshall County.

Editors Intelligencer.

The Sabbath School Institute of Marshall county, will convene in the Presbyterian Church of Dallas, on Thursday evening, May 27th, at 7 o'clock p. m., and will continue until Thursday noon. It is expected that the ministers and other prominent Sabbath School workers in this county, and also many from the adjoining counties will be present, and take part in the exercises. The Executive Committee has received assurances that some of the most earnest and successful laborers in Wheeling and Bellaire, will address the Institute. The subjects which will be discussed are interesting and important. Entertainment will be provided for all the delegates who may be in attendance.

Each Sabbath School in the county should appoint at least two delegates who will attend. Those who travel by railroad will be taken from Roney's Point, on the Hempfield branch, to Dallas, a distance of seven miles, by private conveyances on Tuesday afternoon, May 27th. The exercises of the Institute will consist of devotional exercises, discussion of various subjects connected with Sabbath School work, queries and answers, reports from the Sabbath Schools in the county, committee reports, etc. The second evening will be devoted to entertainment. Efforts will be put forth to make this Institute a decided success.

Cor. JOHN TYLER, son of President Tyler, is at New Orleans, with an invention which, he claims, will abstract impurities from the air and prevent the spread of malarial fevers and infectious diseases. The Crescent city's sanitary commission will soon test the invention.

Trouble in Ascending over the River.

Bellevue Independent.

The Assessors are now going their daily rounds and are meeting with the usual amount of trouble in getting exact information in regard to the personal property owned by individuals. The returns made by some persons reported wealthy would astonish the honest and unsuspecting taxpayer. Some large stocks of goods dwindle down wonderfully under a monthly average. If the returns made by some of the men that claim to be our best citizens could be published and posted up to be read and examined by all men, a flood of light would be thrown on the estimate that some men place on their property when valuing it under oath for taxation. As it is, the books are open for the inspection of interested parties and we hope that some of our people will take the trouble to examine them. There are some very curious things in them.

Walker upon Hereford.

Charleston Courier.

If somebody would gather up and group the comments of the press, Democratic and Republican, upon Hereford's late splutter in the Senate, it would furnish mighty interesting reading. It was difficult to estimate the amount of pride its perusal would infuse into the West Virginia heart. In the interest of the people's peace some means ought to be devised, by which when a senator reaches a high position he could be prevented from making an ostentatious jackass of himself.

The Tidy Housewife.

The careful tidy housewife, when she is giving her house its spring cleaning, should bear in mind that the dear inmates of her house are more precious than houses, and that their systems need cleaning by purifying the blood, regulating the stomach and bowels to prevent and cure the diseases arising from spring malaria and miasma, and she should know that there is nothing that will do it so perfectly and surely as Hop Bitters, the purest and best of all medicines. See other column.

MARRIED.

ACKISON—WALT—On Tuesday evening, April 23, 1879, at Elder D. W. Caldwell's, Mr. A. Ackison, of West Middletown, Washington county, to Miss Emma L. Hall, of Wellsburg, West Virginia. No cards.

Special Notices.

A CARD.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of power, FREE OF CHARGE. I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self-addressed envelope to the Rev. JOSEPH T. JENKINS, Station D, New York City. Daily-Truth.

TRAVELER'S GUIDE.

DEPARTURE OF TRAINS—WHEELING TIME.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
B. & O. R. R.	6:45	10:30	6:30
Cent. O. Div.	8:05	4:00	11:15
W. P. & B. Div.	5:55	1:35	6:45
Chas. & Pitts.	6:10	11:00	8:30
F. & C. St. L.	7:02	4:37	6:02

ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
B. & O. R. R.	9:00	6:00	10:50
Cent. O. Div.	11:30	8:20	6:50
W. P. & B. Div.	10:30	8:45	7:50
Chas. & Pitts.	12:35	6:45	9:30
P. C. & St. L.	8:22	11:32	7:37

ELM GROVE RAILROAD.

On and after Tuesday, April 23, 1879, the cars on the Wheeling and Elm Grove R. R. will run as follows: Cars will leave the city (corner of 1st and Eleventh streets), and return at 10:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The cars will leave the city at 10:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. on Wednesdays, Fridays, and Sundays. The cars will leave the city at 10:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The cars will leave the city at 10:30 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. on Sundays.

Jewelry, &c.

BLACK ONYX JEWELRY.

Onyx Necklaces.

Onyx and Pearl Sets.

Onyx and Pearl Ear-Rings.

A choice line of the above Goods just received.

NOVELTIES IN SCARF PINS.

EARRINGS, ETC.

Bird Pattern of Ear-Rings.

Something decidedly novel and pretty.

TURNER & DILLON.

1223 Market Street.

COLUMBUS WATCHES.

Columbus Watches!

American Watches!

Swiss Watches!

At greatly reduced prices. These Columbus Watches are very desirable, being superior time-keepers and beautiful works of art.

FOR SALE BY

C. P. BROWN,

51 TWELFTH STREET.

CAMEO RINGS.

Double and Single Headed, at

LOUIS DECHERT'S Jewelry Store,

1307 MARKET STREET, Opp. McLaughlin House.

REMOVAL.

Having removed to No. 1050 Market street, opposite the lower end of Market House, I will be pleased to have my old patrons, as well as new ones, call and examine my new stock of Watches, Clocks and Jewelry, of which I keep a full line. Repairing a specialty. C. W. WICKELMID, 1050 Market St.

FOUNDRY AND MACHINE SHOPS.

For Sale or Rent.

The undersigned, desiring to retire from business, offers for sale at a great bargain his

Foundry and Machine Shops.

PATTERSON, TOOLS, &c.

In Martin's Ferry, Ohio, on the West Virginia, Va. The establishment has a good run of Mill, Furnace, Glass Works and other machinery work, and is well supplied with heavy or light castings. It will sell before June 1, 1879, it will be for rent on reasonable terms. Address THOS. G. CULBERTSON, Martin's Ferry, Ohio, April 25, 1879.

STEPHEN MCCULLOUGH—

CARPENTER AND BUILDER.

All alterations made on old buildings on

REASONABLE TERMS.

All JOB WORK promptly attended to. Shop, Alley E, between 14th and 15th streets. Residence, No. 69 14th street. Address either of the above.

SHOES—

READ THE PRICES.

Ladies' Fine Walking Shoes at \$1.00 to \$1.50. Ladies' Fine Side-Laced Shoes at \$1.25 to \$2.00. Ladies' Fine Button Shoes at \$1.00 to \$1.50. Ladies' Fine Front-Laced Shoes at \$1.25 to \$2.00. Custom made work, promptly done at lowest prices.

JOHN FRANK,

2115 Main Street.

ICE CREAM AND CONFECTIONERY.

I am prepared to furnish to parties, families and private consumers the best Ice Cream of all flavors. I also have always on hand a full and complete stock of Cakes, Candies, Fruits, &c. MRS. MARY HIGGINS, No. 8, 2215 Market Street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—GOOD SOLICITORS FOR CITY. Large commission. Ready employment. Apply at Room 15, Stamm House. ap26

BOARDING—

WANTED—A FEW DAY BOARDERS.—One minute's walk from the McLaughlin House; best location in the city. Board three dollars per week. Enquire at this office. ap15/26

FIRST GRAND MAY EXCURSION—

There will be a Grand Excursion to Washington, Pa., on SUNDAY, MAY 4th. Tickets for the round trip from Wheeling will be \$1.00. Persons desiring a bargain will do well to attend.

AUCTION SALE

OF FURNITURE, PLATING, BATTERIES, SHIP FIXTURES AND BUILDINGS, at KRYTER'S, 1115 Market St., on SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 26, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. Persons desiring a bargain will do well to attend.

AUCTION SALE—

There will be an auction sale of the Household and Kitchen Furniture of the "Old Home" hotel on MONDAY next, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. Persons desiring a bargain will do well to attend.

PICNIC GROUNDS—I OFFER FOR RENT my Picnic Grounds, well known as Green's Grove, 4 miles north of the city, on the P. W. & K. R. 1. It is located on the P. W. & K. R. 1. It is a beautiful place for picnicking, and all the necessary buildings pertaining to first-class picnicking are on the place. The whole is about 100 acres of the K. R. Persons desiring to rent them can call upon me at my office, No. 1147 Market Street.

NOTICE—

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Application was made by John Zwickler and others to the Board of Commissioners of the City of Wheeling for the establishment of an additional voting precinct in Washington District, located in the town of Pullman. It is requested that, final action will be had on MONDAY, MAY 13, granting the prayer of the petitioners.

By order of the Board of Commissioners. CHARLES H. DITTRICH, Clerk.

CHAIRS—

Wood and Cane Seat Chairs

In great variety at Bottom Prices.

ARBEZ & CO'S,

FURNITURE AND CARPET HOUSE, 1109 Main and 1205 Jacob Sts.

FINE BASKETS—

MOSS BASKETS, FLOWER BASKETS, KNITTING BASKETS, INDIAN HAIR RECEIVERS, ANGLO BAGS, and all the necessary building pertaining to first-class picnicking are on the place. The whole is about 100 acres of the K. R. Persons desiring to rent them can call upon me at my office, No. 1147 Market Street.

LOOKING GLASSES—

All Styles and Sizes, at

ZINK & MOREHEAD'S

Furniture and Carpet Rooms, 1117 Main Street.

TEA TRAYS

Of all Sizes and Beautiful Patterns, just received and on sale very low at the

HARDWARE AND HOUSE FURNISHING STORE

OF

NESBITT & BRO.,

1313 MARKET STREET.

CARROLL BROS.,

GRANITE AND MARBLE WORKERS

And Importers of the Best SCOTCH GRANITE AND ITALIAN MARBLES, Nos. 4 and 10 Sixteenth Street, Wheeling, W. Va. We have a fine selection of Monuments and Tablets constantly on hand, which will be sold at prices to suit the times.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining in the Post Office at Wheeling, Ohio county, W. Va., Saturday, April 26th, 1879. To obtain full list of the following, the applicant must ask for advertised letters, giving date of list:

Armstrong, Miss M. P. McKee, Miss Julia

Blackburn, Miss E. J. McKee, Miss Julia

Buckman, Miss L. McKee, Miss Julia

Ellis, William McKee, Miss Julia

Green, John McKee, Miss Julia

Harrell, Miss M. McKee, Miss Julia

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